

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE **DATE: January 4, 2002** TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE U.S. APPL 0379297 (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.: INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE: PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED: **JULY 5, 1999 APRIL 25, 2000** PCT/JP00/02707 TITLE OF INVENTION: SHOWER HEAD WITH WATER PURIFICATION FUNCTION APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Toshio TAKAGI and Fumitaka SHIRATAKE Applicant hereby submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: X This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until 3. X the expiration of the time limit set in 35 USC 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority 4. <u>X</u> date. 5. <u>X</u> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)): is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). has been transmitted by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) 6. <u>X</u> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 7. <u>X</u> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). have been transmitted by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. X A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). ITEMS 11. TO 16. BELOW CONCERN OTHER DOCUMENT(S) OR INFORMATION INCLUDED: 11. X An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 and 2 references. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 12. \_ ASSIGNEE NAME AND ADDRESS: KOTOBUKI TSUSHOU CO., LTD., Kitakyushu-shi, Japan Please publish the assignee data with the application. 13. X A **FIRST** preliminary amendment. A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment 14. \_\_\_\_ A substitute specification. 15. \_\_\_\_ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 16. X Other items or information: 40 sheets of drawings.

U.S. APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. DATE: January 4, 2002 PCT/JP00/02707 (if known) 019297 CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY 17. X The following fees are submitted: Basic Nati nal F e (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5): Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO: ...... \$890.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) .....\$710.00 No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = \$ 890.00 Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than \_ 20 \$ 130.00 X 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 DVR 1.492(e)). **CLAIMS** NUMBER FILED NUMBER EXTRA RATE **TOTAL** 19 -20 = X \$ 18.00 **INDEPENDENT** 1-3 = X \$ 84.00 Multiple dependent claims(s) (if applicable) + \$280.00 \$ 280.00 TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1,300.00 Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, \$-650.00 1.28). SUBTOTAL = \$ 650.00 Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 20 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = \$ 650.00 Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property + TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = \$650.00 Amount to be: refunded charged

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b. \_\_\_ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 01-2340 in the amount of \$\_\_\_ to cover the above fees. (A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.)

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